

Flowers, Cakarevic Earn All-Academic Honors

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Lees-McRae College senior Candace Flowers (Charlotte, N.C.) and junior Natalija Cakarevic (Belgrade, Serbia) have each been honored on the Conference Carolinas Academic all-conference women's

basketball team. King College led the way with six selections, followed by Belmont Abbey College with four. Barton College and Limestone College each had three named to the team, as Lees-McRae and Coker College both placed two on the squad. Flowers put together a strong senior season with the Bobcats, totaling 165 points, including 133 markers in league play. A native of Charlotte, N.C., Flowers knocked down 36 three-pointers on the season to cap her career with 89 triples, which ranks eighth on the program's all-time list. The senior guard took the court for 78 games in her four-year career with the Bobcats, totaling 419 points, 110 rebounds, 61 assists, and 45 steals. This is the second year in row Flowers has earned academic all-conference recognition. Cakarevic garners all-conference academic honors for the first time in her career. A native of Belgrade, Serbia, Cakarevic sat out all of this season but made significant contributions from the sideline, providing constant support and encouragement to her teammates as the Bobcats posted seven wins in conference play, including a pivotal buzzer-beating victory over Queens University of Charlotte on January 12. The junior wing has appeared in 41 games during her career, nearly posting a double-double with career-highs of 10 points and nine rebounds against Hiwassee during her sophomore season. Lees-McRae is expected to return most of its core, including rising seniors Cakarevic, Megan Tate (High Point, N.C.), Icey Patterson (Seneca, S.C.), Lauren Lewis (Concord, N.C.), and Layana De Souza (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil).

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